

Culture in Crisis II

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On 11 April 2016 the Institute for the Preservation of Cultural Heritage, Yale University, in collaboration with the V&A, under the patronage of UNESCO, hosted a satellite event to the UN Global Colloquium of University Presidents at Yale University.

This conference, the second annual instalment for the Culture in Crisis programme, focused on the ongoing destruction and loss of cultural heritage in North Africa and the Middle East, which is a cause for worldwide concern and condemnation. As is the exodus of people and talent from some parts of the region resulting in the loss of cultural knowledge as well as local arts and crafts.

The principle aim of the workshop was to convene stakeholders and decision-makers from the most affected regions to discuss relevant questions to help inform the Global Colloquium of the current situation, especially on efficient responses to looting, illicit trade, the destruction of sites and urban fabric, the humanitarian impact and loss of local skills, crafts and indigenous knowledge.

The workshop was free to attend and its outcome informed the discussions at the UN global colloquium about gaps in research and training and possible focal areas of institutional collaboration. The conclusions of the workshop were presented by a rapporteur to the UN Global Colloquium Plenary on April 13th 2016.

The conference was recorded and is available on [YouTube](#)